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Stepping back in time to a bygone era of the Liberty Seated coin design period, both far and wide, and a little before & after…

A Great Turn-out in-Person and Live online at this year's LSCC Regional Meeting at the CSNS Convention in Schaumburg, IL - April 2025. ***(See pages 7-16).***

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Welcome to the following new LSCC Member(s) this month:

Larry Alferink
Rich Chillingworth
Lawrence Meiteles
John Kenison
Tom Uram

There are currently 1500 active* Subscribers to E-Gobrecht & counting including 351 local coin clubs across the country

* Who was subscriber #1500?
None other than Thomas Uram! Who would have thought his name would have come up at this important milestone for the publication. No one is more deserving than he is as a great supporter of the LSCC!

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President's Message

Welcome to our May issue of the E-Gobrecht. Our indefatigable editor Paul Kluth keeps us rolling on a monthly basis, and we thank him for his continued efforts.

The LSCC enjoyed a great week at the Central States Numismatic Society convention in April, and there is coverage of this event later in the issue. Coming up, it's not too early to start thinking about the ANA convention in Oklahoma City in August.

Our exhibit theme will be western coinage – San Francisco and Carson City, and as always, we expect a great week of camaraderie and constant coin talk. …*Len Augsburger*

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Editor's View From the Rim

An 18th & 19th Century Tavern Life Theme ...PK

You have probably noticed a few hints recently in E-Gobrecht related to past Taverns across America.

A new twist you might find interesting is the start of a new theme focused on the Taverns of 18th & 19th century America. Check out the link for a fascinating presentation given on the topic which history buffs might enjoy about early life, travel and commerce in our Country (see page 18).

Did you know that Taverns were central for communication during Colonial times and even after the Civil War, were stopping points for stage coaches and weary travelers, instrumental in local trade, banking and the distribution of early mail and newspapers; not to mention a place to relax, socialize and so much more?

"Independence Hall in Philadelphia" painting
by Ferdinand Richardt (1858-63)

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The LSCC is 'tentatively' scheduled to have its Annual Meeting at the ANA Summer Convention on Thursday, August 21 at 9:00 to 10:30 am *at the Oklahoma City Convention Center, OK*

Barber Coin Collectors' Society
Founded 1989

BCCS Club Meetings, Club Table and Educational Programs are held at most of the LSCC coin show events, and their table is usually next to the LSCC Table for your convenience.

'Tentative' Specialty Club Annual Meetings Schedule

ANA Summer Convention (August 19-23, 2025)

Oklahoma City Convention Center, OK

(future updates will be shared here, but also check ANA website for any changes)

Wednesday - August 20

*** Barber Coin Collectors Society (BCCS), 9-10 am, Room 105**

Token and Medal Society (TAMS), 1-3 pm, Room 106

Bust Quarter Collectors Society, 2-4 pm, Room 204

Thursday - August 21

***Liberty Seated Collectors Club (LSCC), 9-10:30 am, Room 204**

Society of Paper Money Collectors, 8-10 am, Room 205AB

Civil War Token Society (CWTS), 2-3 pm, Room 106

Bust Half Nut Club, 2-4 pm, Room 105

Friday - August 22

Early American Coppers Regional (EAC), 9-10 am, Room 204

Numismatic Bibliomania Society (NBS), 11:30 am - 1 pm, Room 203

Saturday - August 23

Combined Organizations of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (CONECA), 12-1 pm, Room 106

To Be Announced

John Reich Collectors Society (JRCS), U.S. Bust Series

Fly-In Club - Flying Eagle & Indian Head Cent Collectors

All Meetings are OPEN to all convention attendees and collectors are always encouraged to meet others who share their collecting interests!

The Curious Collector

by Len Augsburger, LSCC #1271

LSCC Live from the Central States Convention

An Active Club Meeting Needless to Say

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Approximately 30 members met at the Central States LSCC meeting, held Friday, April 25 at the Central States Numismatic Society convention in Schaumburg, IL. The meeting was livestreamed as part of the Newman Numismatic Portal Symposium, with another 30 attendees watching online.

Meeting video will be shared in 2-3 weeks. Len Augsburger opened the meeting with Club updates, while John Frost noted the upcoming New Orleans Mint class at the ANA Summer Seminar (June 22-25 in Colorado Springs, CO). Ken Otto covered Regional meeting updates, and John Lundsten discussed the LSCC website, including a live demo. Craig Eberhart delivered the educational presentation on transitional coinage of the early New Orleans Mint.

The LSCC Club table (#2410) featured a wide array of New Orleans coinage exhibited by Club members. The highlight of the week was the purchase of an 1851 Seated dollar, NGC MS63, offered by dealer David Perkins and acquired by a Club member. Certain coins never make it to auction, or show up on dealer websites, as demand is strong and the coin can easily be traded at a show. Such was the case here, and the buyer had only a short window to acquire the coin, as there was another ready buyer who appeared at David's table almost at the same time.

As readers have seen in past issues, the Club likes to include some numismatic humor from time to time. Can anyone guess whose vehicle this is that showed up in a parking lot during the Central States convention?

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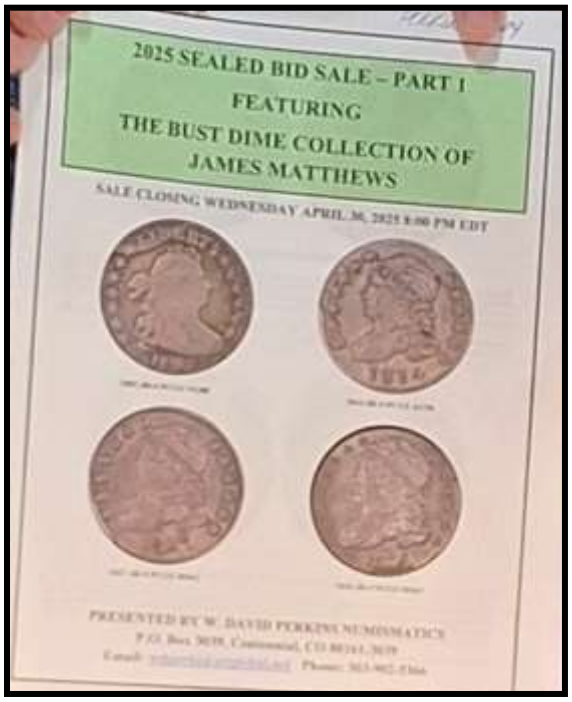
Regional News - CSNS Convention Special Note

During the Central States Numismatic Society Convention, LSCC member/ dealers Jim Matthews and David Perkins (W. David Perkins Numismatics) displayed Bust Dime lots from the James Matthews Reference Collection Sale.

Bidding did close for the first Sealed Bid Auction on Wednesday April 30, 2025 at 6:00 pm MST (8:00 pm EST), but more portions of the Sale are expected in coming months. For further information, contact David Perkins at: **wdperki@attglobal.net**

[Editor]: Like Jim's fabulous Bust Half Dime Sale a few years ago, his Bust Dime Sale is just as exciting with many high grade rarities including die varieties, die marriages and late die states. Both Jim and David are also active in JRCS.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FEATURING
THE BUST DIME COLLECTION OF
JAMES MATTHEWS
SALE CLOSING WEDNESDAY APRIL 30, 2025 8:00 PM EDT

Regional News

by Ken Otto, Regional Team Director, LSCC #2674

The Summer Coin Show Schedule is Fast Approaching

The Spring seasonal coin show circuit is well underway, and the Regional LSCC team is looking forward to the summer season. The activity at the recently completed Central States coin show in Schaumburg, IL was strong, and the overall strength of the rare coin market appears sound. Several important regional coin shows will occur over the next several months and the LSCC will be represented at many of these shows.

The LSCC will certainly be participating at the ANA Summer Seminar in June with Len Augsburger, Craig Eberhart and John Frost teaching a course on the New Orleans Mint. The summer ANA Convention will be held in Oklahoma City this year, and the Club will be well represented at this event. See 'tentative' schedules elsewhere in the issue.

The LSCC team plans to participate in the Pawcatuck Valley Coin Club (PVCC) Coin Show to be held May 3 at the Holiday Inn, 10 Laura Blvd., Norwich, CT 06360. Verne Pitman and John Frost will host the Club table.

The next major coin show on the Regional LSCC team's calendar will be the Whitman Baltimore Summer Coin Expo to be held June 19-21 at the Baltimore Convention Center, One West Pratt Street, Baltimore, MD 21201. **While the show will still go on; due to a conflict with the ANA Summer Seminar, the Club will be unable to provide the previously scheduled breakfast meeting at David & Dad's Café. Any formal LSCC activities at the Expo are cancelled.**

The LSCC Regional team plans to participate in the Missouri Numismatic Association Show to be held July 17-19 at the St. Charles Convention Center, 1 Convention Plaza., St. Charles, MO 63303. Ed Terneus and Micah Uptegrove will host the Club table.

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Regional News cont.

The LSCC Regional team will participate in the Bay State Coin Show to be held July 25-26 at the Best Western Plaza Hotel, 181 Boston Post Rd West, Marlborough, MA 01752. Joe Casazza and John Frost will host the Club table.

The LSCC team also plans to participate in the Cincinnati Numismatic Expo to be held July 25-26 at the Sharonville Convention Center, 11355 Chester Road, Cincinnati, OH 45246. Dennis Fortier and Ken Otto will host the Club table.

The LSCC Regional team will participate in the ANA World's Fair of Money (Summer ANA Convention) to be held August 19-23 at the Oklahoma City Convention Center, 100 Mick Cornett Drive, Oklahoma City, OK 73109. This is a major coin show and the LSCC regional team will be there in force. We will conduct the Annual Club Meeting at this show. The Club table will be hosted by Dennis Fortier, John Frost, Ken Otto and many others.

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The LSCC team participated in the New Hampshire Coin and Currency Expo which was held April 18-19 at the Doubletree by Hilton Manchester Downtown, 700 Elm Street, Manchester, NH 03101. The Club table was hosted by Joe Casazza and John Frost. One new member was signed up at the show.

The LSCC team also participated in the Central States Numismatic Society (CSNS) Convention which was held April 23-26 at the Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel, 1551 North Thoreau Drive, Schaumburg, IL 60173. Overall, the Central States show was well-attended and seemed to be a strong show for dealers and collectors.

A Club meeting was held at Central States on Friday, April 25. The meeting attendance was outstanding, and Craig Eberhart gave a presentation on aspects of the New Orleans Mint, which is the subject of one of the courses being taught at the ANA Summer Seminar this June. The Club table was hosted by Dennis Fortier, Len Augsburger, Craig Eberhart, Ken Otto, John Lundsten and John Frost. The Club exhibit featured Liberty Seated coins from the New Orleans mint in keeping with the theme of the course on the New Orleans Mint which will be taught by Craig Eberhart, Len Augsburger and John Frost at the ANA Summer Seminar. The activity at the Club table

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Regional News cont.

was very strong, particularly during Thursday and Friday. One new LSCC member signed up at the show and one existing member paid their dues.

Newly Elected Vice President Craig Eberhart making New Orleans Mint presentation at the LSCC meeting during Central States

Hosting the Club Table (L to R) are: Ken Otto Dennis Fortier John Frost & Craig Eberhart (back turned)

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Regional News cont.

The only way to go to a coin show… packed to the hilt, stuffed in the back seat with a big bottle of "Dr. Per" Mr. Frosty & The Otto of course.

Visitors to the Club Table & Craig Eberhart studying coins

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Regional News cont.

A Blob from San Francisco
Silver "blob" of five Barber Halves and two Morgan Dollars
Artifact of the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake and Fire

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Regional News cont.

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(Above) Customer Service Rep for NGC advising a client

(Below Left) Brian Greer standing behind his busy booth

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Club Table Displays that featured Liberty Seated coins of all types

(Note: The BLOB made a reappearance this show!)

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An Impossible Quest - An Update from Central States

by John Lundsten - LSCC #2616

I started collecting coins as a child. I then gave it up for 27 years while in college and starting my software company. I have resumed collecting for approximately 20 years now. When I restarted collecting, I completed my childhood sets. Then I started new sets by date and mint mark. Then I collected 3 sets (one for each child), of all non-gold non-proof coins from the late 1800's to date by year, mint mark and series. Then I started collecting all of the same in business strikes from 1793 to date, by date, mint mark and denomination (cents, dimes, quarters, halves, dollars, etc.).

There has been only one person that has completed this impossible goal in the history of coin collecting. He kind of cheated by buying an existing collection that was nearly 50% complete. I started from zero and handpicked each coin. Then I upgraded some coins and encapsulated some coins. It has been a lot of work and money. I know that there is at least one billionaire out there that is now trying to do the same thing as me. He is purchasing the top grade for each coin. I don't have that desire or money. A nice example in mid-grade is perfectly fine for me.

I am now down to 8 coins left. I will most likely never complete this goal. Some of these 8 coins that remain are so rare that you don't see them in a lifetime. You need friends to help you search for the super rare coins. That is what happened last week when I was at the Central States coin show in Chicago. Len Augsburger told me that I needed to see a 1851 Liberty Seated dollar at his friend's booth. I dropped everything and ran with John Frost, another member and president of BCCS to the dealer. I found the coin, asked the dealer to look at it. Showed it to John who verified authenticity. I showed it to another member who liked it. And finally held it myself. At the same moment, I felt another person pressing against my left shoulder. He wanted to see the coin. It had great strike, a rainbow toning, and proof-like surfaces on the reverse. It was in a PCGS MS64 holder. I knew in my heart that if I handed the coin back to the dealer, I would never get it back.

I have spent 16 years looking for that one coin. There are only 45 surviving examples of 1851 Seated dollars. I have seen and rejected over 30 of those examples. The probability of my finding another perfect example of this coin in my lifetime is slight. Even though the coin costs more than my car, more than Chris's boat; I told the dealer that I would purchase the coin and pay him the full asking price. He knows that he can sell this coin at this price to 100 people at the show. He knows that if I pass on this coin, the next person or maybe another person will come along in a few minutes and buy it, no questions asked. We agreed on the transaction.

David, the dealer, then tells me how fortunate I am. He had only been a caretaker of the coin for 10 minutes. Someone dropped the coin off on consignment and he had it for only a total of 10 minutes. That is how close I came to getting the coin or losing the opportunity to buy it. I am hoping to be the caretaker of this coin for many years to come.

Sometimes opportunities to act are just that short. In order to achieve success, you have to have a team of people that are helping you to achieve your goals. I have been fortunate to be surrounded by some incredible teams in my lifetime.

I am certainly grateful for Len and John on building clubs (LSCC & BCSS) that have their style of leadership. They service all members of both clubs, the hobby, and the greater numismatic community. I am grateful for all of the friends that I have made by being a member of both clubs.

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Taverns Along The Turnpike

As an introduction, watch this excellent YouTube Video and presentation by Sam Riley of the Carroll County Historical Society (MD). You will have to copy and past this link into your web browser or access the video from the Society's website:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sAy9sCG9ibk&list=PLYtZsUI8lwbyQGUsTLVs9hVct-sjwb12l&index=6

https://hsccmd.org/box-lunch-talk/

Note: The introduction of the speaker and Q&A session afterwards is not so relevant. However, recognizing that American life during the 18th & 19th century depended heavily on Taverns throughout the eastern U.S., most people don't realize how much of an instrumental role that taverns played in providing numerous services to their local population which is expertly covered in this presentation.

Readers, please share your thoughts and submissions about this topic with us(?), and certainly early commerce and the use of coin and currency are very relevant to the subject. The video lasts about an hour. The discussion regarding the beginnings of the U.S. Postal System, the importance of mail, early newspapers and stagecoaches was particularly interesting!

19th Century Tavern

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ANA Summer Seminar 2025 — New Class! (only a few spots left)

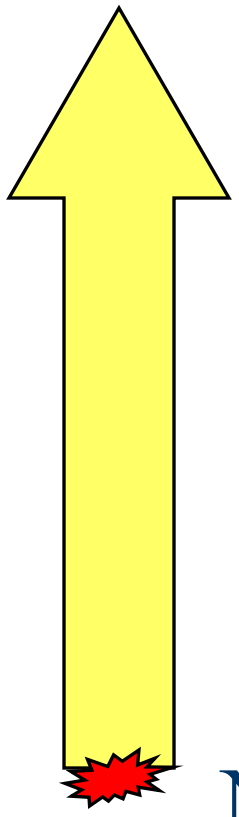
The Liberty Seated Collectors Club (LSCC) and the Barber Coin Collectors' Society (BCCS) will be offering a new class during Session 1 at the 2025 ANA Summer Seminar, June 21-26, in Colorado Springs:

The New Orleans Mint Coinage and its History

This course will cover the coins and the history of the New Orleans Mint from its origin in 1835 to its final closure in 1909. The silver and gold coins produced at the New Orleans Mint are comparable to the Philadelphia Mint both in type and quantity. From arduous early days marked by epidemics and deaths, a struggle to mint coins with limited dies being stored in tropical conditions, to changing hands three times during the Civil War, its complicated history is written in its coins. The course will include discussions of the 40 (or so) types of New Orleans coins, individual dates, major varieties, hands-on attribution exercises, and grading discussions.

Instructors: **Craig Eberhart (LSCC Secretary), Len Augsburger (LSCC President) and John Frost (BCCS President).**

This class should fill up quickly. Sign up today at: money.org/summer-seminar



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LSCC 2025 Regional Events Calendar ***

June 19-21 Whitman Baltimore Summer Coin Expo, Baltimore Convention Center, Baltimore, MD. Will take place as usual; however, Due to a conflict with the ANA Summer Seminar, the LSCC will not have a formal presence at the show as it typically does. LSCC Activities Cancelled!

July 17-19 Missouri Numismatic Association Show, St. Charles Convention Center, St. Charles, MO - Club table hosted by Ed Terneus and Micah Uptegrove.

July 25-26 Bay State Coin Show, Best Western Plaza Hotel, Marlborough, MA - Club table hosted by Joe Casazza and John Frost.

July 25-26 Cincinnati Numismatic Expo, Sharonville Convention Center, Cincinnati, OH - Club table hosted by Dennis Fortier and Ken Otto.

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August 19-23 **ANA World's Fair of Money (Summer ANA Annual Convention**, (New Location) Oklahoma City Convention Center, 100 Cornett Drive, Oklahoma City, OK - Annual Club Meeting & Awards Ceremony, Educational Presentation on "Counterstamped Liberty Seated Coins", Club Dinner, LSCC/BCCS combined Club tables, Hosted by a host of LSCC Officers and Members including Len Augsburger, John Frost, Ken Otto, Dennis Fortier, Craig Eberhart, Jeff Pritchard, John Lundsten, Joe Casazza, and so many more.

*** More event details and addresses of show locations are in **Ken Otto's Regional Report starting on page 10. Also see** either or both the LSCC/BCCS websites.

Note: There are no planned LSCC participating coin show events in May or June.

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